

REMARKS

Claims 1-25 and 28-37 are now pending in the application, with claims 1, 15, 28, 31, 32, 34 and 36 being the independent claims. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Initially, Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication that claims 1-25 are allowed and claims 28-37 contain allowable subject matter and would be allowed if rewritten into independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. This has been done above. Accordingly, the entire application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and an indication to that effect is respectfully requested.

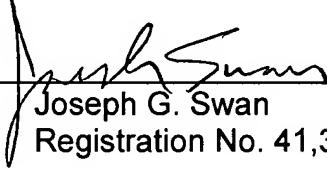
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